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Dear Charlie,

While Sunday is a working day for me, Sunday nights I monitor the stinking Ed Butler show. There are a few minutes before it starts, not enough time to pick up new work, so I write for a special purpose, to make a request for a little help if it is needed and you are in a position to offer it.

Earlier today I wrote Paul Hoch about it. Then, in addition to the "inside" work, I face 400-500 feet of snowed-in lane (would Jamie love the snow we have!). I had to dig much of it out so we can get in and out. Much of the time since Christmas we have not been able to move the car. Yesterday I could not get my wife to a dental appointment. I did not expect to get it done, but I did. So, I suggested to Paul if one of them could not do what I asked, perhaps you might be able to. I do not know if you know each other. The only one of the Frisco group I know you know is Hal.

A Ku Klux Klan cell was discovered inside the Chicago police department about three years ago. I would like to get the available NY Times stories on it and those in the Chicago papers. I am especially interested in the names and precincts and other divisions of the police involved. This would entail checking the Times index and, if available in the library there, the Chicago papers for the same period. If the Chicago papers are not available there, it is possible that, through friends in the press in Washington, I might be able to get copies of these stories.

I do not know how much time you spend away from Jamie when you are not working, so I do not know whether this is possible for you. If it is possible and if Hal or Paul asks you, I'd appreciate it if you could do this for me. Either way, thanks.

Enclosed is a clipping from IOOF a passage from which may seem familiar.

Best to Jamie.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg